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ALLOCATION OF AGENDA ITEMS TO THE FIRST COMMITTEE

Letter dated 18 September 1992 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the First Committee

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the decisions taken by the General Assembly at the 3rd plenary meeting of the forty-seventh session pertaining to the allocation of items to the First Committee.

May I also invite your attention to the recommendations on the organization of the session contained in section II of the report of the General Committee (A/47/250), as well as to the recommendation concerning the agenda of the Main Committees contained in section IV (para. 35) of that report. Those recommendations were also approved by the General Assembly at its 3rd plenary meeting. I earnestly request your cooperation in this regard.

(Signed) Stoyan GANEV

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ANNEX

Allocation of items to the First Committee

1. Reduction of military budgets (item 49).

2. Scientific and technological developments and their impact on international security (item 50).

3. Science and technology for disarmament (item 51).

4. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification (item 52).

5. Amendment of the Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and under Water (item 53).

6. Comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty (item 54).

7. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East (item 55).

8. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia (item 56).

9. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons (item 57).

10. Prevention of an arms race in outer space (item 58).

11. Implementation of the Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa (item 59).

12. Chemical and bacteriological (biological) weapons (item 60).

13. General and complete disarmament (item 61)

    [The General Assembly decided that the relevant paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/47/374), which is to be considered directly in plenary meeting under item 14, would be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of this item.]

    (a) Notification of nuclear tests;

    (b) Further measures in the field of disarmament for the prevention of an arms race on the seabed and the ocean floor and in the subsoil thereof;

(c) Conventional disarmament;

(d) Nuclear disarmament;

(e) Defensive security concepts and policies;

(f) Relationship between disarmament and development;

(g) Prohibition of the production of fissionable material for weapons purposes;

(h) Prohibition of the development, production, stockpiling and use of radiological weapons;

(i) International arms transfers;

(j) Regional disarmament;

(k) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;

(l) Transparency in armaments;

(m) Conventional disarmament on a regional scale;

(n) Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: 1995 Conference and its Preparatory Committee.

14. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (item 62):

(a) World Disarmament Campaign;

(b) Regional confidence-building measures;

(c) Nuclear-arms freeze;

(d) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons;

(e) United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services programme;

(f) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific and United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean.

15. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session (item 63):

(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(c) Status of multilateral disarmament agreements;

(d) Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters;

(e) United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research;

(f) Disarmament Week;

(g) Implementation of the guidelines for appropriate types of confidence-building measures;

(h) Comprehensive programme of disarmament;

(i) Transfer of high technology with military applications.

16. Israeli nuclear armament (item 64).

17. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects (item 65).

18. Question of Antarctica (item 66).

19. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region (item 67).

20. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace (item 68).

21. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security (item 69).

22. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (item 142).

23. Programme planning [programmes 1, 2 and 7] (item 105).